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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PEUM, XO  
SUBJECT: US-SOVIET TALKS ON THE INDIAN OCEAN

REF: STATE 168019

1. ON JULY 26 DCM HAD OPPORTUNITY, ON BASIS REFTTEL, BRIEF YOUSIF MUKHTAR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FONMIN'S OFFICE, ON US-SOVIET TALKS ON THE INDIAN OCEAN. DURING MY CALL ON FONOFF UNDER SECRETARY HASHIM OSMAN TODAY, JULY 27, I REFERRED TO THIS BRIEFING AND ASKED IF HE HAD ANY FURTHER COMMENTS.

2. OSMAN INDICATED HE HAD SEEN REPORT ON BOGOSIAN-MUKHTAR CONVERSATION. REPORT HAD BEEN VERY TIMELY IN THAT SUBSEQUENTLY SOVIET CHARGE HAD CALLED ON OSMAN TO BRIEF HIM ON THE SAME SUBJECT. OSMAN SAID SOVIET PRESENTATION HAD BEEN ALMOST IDENTICAL WITH THAT OF U.S. SOVIETS HAD SAID THAT THERE WERE SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES IN POSITIONS OF TWO COUNTRIES, BUT THEY HOPED THEY COULD BE RESOLVED.

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3. OSMAN SAID THAT SUDANGOV WAS VERY PLEASED THAT US-SOVIET TALKS ON THE INDIAN OCEAN WERE TAKING PLACE. HE MENTIONED CONCERNS PUBLICLY EXPRESSED BY PRESIDENT NIMEIRI REGARDING A SUPERPOWER ARMS RACE IN THE AREA AND NIMEIRI'S DESIRE TO SEE INDIAN OCEAN BECOME A "ZONE OF PEACE". SUDANGOV THEREFORE LIKED THE IDEA OF THESE DISCUSSIONS BY THE SUPERPOWERS AND WOULD

SAY SO PUBLICLY AT UNGA, SHOULD OPPORTUNITYARISE.

4. DEPARTMENT REPEAT AS DESIRED.

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